



Proclamation

Presented to

Hawai'i Art Education Association

WHEREAS, the Hawai'i Art Education Association has for the past seven (7) years been an association of private and public schools, and for five (5) years has recognized March as Youth Art Month in Hawai'i; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month is observed annually in March to emphasize the value of art education for all children and youth, K-12, and to encourage support for quality school art programs; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month calls attention to the value of art education and encourages imagination, critical thinking, multicultural awareness, and technical, communication and expressive skills; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month and art education interrelates student learning in art production, art history, art criticism, and aesthetics; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month raises awareness among local and national leaders about the necessity of including art experiences in all students' education; and

WHEREAS, Youth Art Month encourages public and private school students throughout the Aloha State to participate in annual Youth Art Month Contest and gives prizes to reward art education excellence;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and **I, BRIAN SCHATZ**, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim March, 2011 as

"YOUTH ART MONTH"

and encourage all the people of Hawai'i to join us in recognizing art educators and their endeavors to strengthen art education in schools and our communities.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this twenty-second of February 2011.

NEIL ABERCROMBIE
Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ
Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i

